

# CLASSES DISMISSED AT 2:45 FOR GAME

## Golden Gate

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### Expectant Gators Await Season's Grid Opener Today

The purple-jerseyed San Francisco State college Gators face tough opposition in their first scheduled football game of the season when they tangle with the Placer Junior College Panthers at 3:15 p.m. this afternoon on the new campus field.

Coach Richard Boyle and Assistant Coach Ray Kaufman are confident of their team.

"Our boys have much to fight for," declared Coach Boyle, "because this game is to be a proving ground for their ability. It also represents the first scheduled game to be played on our new campus grounds to a post-war crowd, so they've got something to live up to."

#### Out to Win

"The game will be no push-over," continued Coach Boyle, "for the Placer team is much heavier than ours (Placer Junior

college is reported to have the best team in their history); however, we're going out to win!" The Panthers defeated the Gators when they last played in 1937. The contest this afternoon also marks the organization of the first regular varsity team of this college since 1941. Forty eager athletes will represent this college at the game.

Classes will be dismissed at 2:45 p.m. today. The field is located near the corners of 19th Avenue and Holloway Street on the carline. Admission is free with a student body card; \$1.20 without.

### "Term Plays to Be Produced Twice a Semester" —McKenna

"Our plans are to build a very strong drama department under the creative arts program," announced Mr. J. Fenton McKenna, new head of College theatre.

Mr. McKenna, who took his graduate work at Stanford and Northwestern universities, became head of the drama department at Santa Clara in 1930. In 1938 he joined the summer faculty at Northwestern university, and taught acting, directing and interpretation courses. For several years Mr. McKenna directed the experimental theatre there. He is well known as national advisor for the High School Institute at Northwestern university.

### Raymond Doyle Takes Over Radio Dept. Here

Mr. Raymond N. Doyle, graduate of the University of New Hampshire and the School of Radio Technique of Radio City, is the new radio director at San Francisco State this term.

Mr. Doyle, prior to the war, served with various radio stations in New England as an announcer. During the war, he served with Task Force 58 in the Pacific Fleet, for 37 months as Radar officer and director of entertainment. He wrote and produced musical shows that toured the Pacific bases for 17 months. Following discharge from the Navy, Mr. Doyle was appointed sales director for Station WHEB, in Portsmouth, New Hampshire.

way as to give the student the widest possible experience. The student body and the public will receive a high form of entertainment.

Concluding, Mr. McKenna remarked, "The theatre group will do its part in making the creative arts program effective."

### Class Elections Will be Featured by Campaign Speeches Next Week

"What are you running for?" "Who are you petitioning for?" "Who are you going to vote for?" These will be the foremost questions asked on campus for the following week when election time rolls around once again.

Candidates for class officers, AMS president, yell leaders, and one lower division member-at-large are needed. Petitions may be obtained from the box outside the student body office. They are to be signed by 15 students and returned to the student body office not later than October 2.

#### RALLY HELD

An election rally will be held in the Rally bowl October 3, to introduce the candidates who will make their election speeches. Elections will take place from 9 to 4 in the student body office October 4.

Qualifications for a candidate are that he has a 1.0 average and is a student body card holder.

Announcement regarding elections made by Student Body Secretary Clara Caburi were that no banner posters were to be placed in College hall. All posters should be checked by the secretary; no electioneering in the student body office, and any further questions concerning elections may be obtained from the student body secretary.

#### AFFAIRS SPONSORED

"The election of class officers and AMS president is one of the most important projects of the semester and must be done with an open and unbiased mind. The affairs that are sponsored by the various classes are under the authorization of the president and his associates; therefore, capable people must be selected to fill the office," remarked Marne Camp, member of the board of directors.

### Three State Girls Win Scholarships

Annette Goodman, Eleanor Stone and Alice Campbell have received working scholarships at the California School of Fine Arts in Berkeley for their excellent work in oil painting.

Last semester, Mr. Hassel Smith, temporary instructor of the Art 30 class in oil painting, suggested to interested students that they apply for scholarship at the school where he is a regular instructor. Because of the merit of their work the three girls were awarded scholarships for one year.

Annette Goodman and Eleanor Stone have already enrolled at the School of Fine Arts this semester and Alice Campbell plans to attend next semester.

### THE KICKOFF—FOR TODAY'S GAME AND DANCE



Edrey Schendel, a bit small, but still able to get a "boot" out of things, demonstrates her version of the theme of tonight's "Kick-off Dance" to Jim Keating, Harry Mithos, Jim Haran and Emil Fanfelle, all of Sigma Pi Sigma.

### Students Awakened to Need of Voting Yes on Proposition 3

"California is in jeopardy of losing many potentially strong teachers if proposition No. 3 is not passed" is today the general warning of educational leaders. Coming before the voters on November 5th is the proposal to raise the minimum wages of teachers to \$2400 in California.

### Nahman Submits Resignation

Caroline Nahman, business manager of the student body since August of 1945, resigned last Tuesday. The resignation, which was handed to Izzie Pivnick, became effective Wednesday, September 25.

Miss Nahman who majored in sociology at State graduated in August of 1945. An active student at State, she was a member of Delta Sigma, debating society; Alpha Psi Omega, dramatics society; Alpha Phi Gamma, journalism fraternity, and the Board of Publications. During part of the time that she acted as business manager she also worked at the Telegraph Hill Neighborhood House, directing teen-age activities.

Miss Nahman's successor has not been appointed as yet according to Mr. Pivnick. A special executive board meeting was held Wednesday to discuss the resignation.

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### Ground Broken For Quonset Huts Here

Preliminary work on five prefabricated steel barracks is scheduled to begin the latter part of the week, it was learned from Mr. Runar Stone, superintendent of buildings and grounds. The barracks, purchased from the government several months ago, are being built to help alleviate the classroom shortage at State.

#### FACE EVICTION

Staters face eviction from the lawn with plans calling for erection of two of the buildings at that spot.

"However," remarked Mr. Stone, "the palm tree will not be removed or marred." Two more are scheduled to be built on the terrace below the balcony of the women's gymnasium. One-half of one barracks will house the college reserve library, with the other half being slated for use as the Golden Gate office. The remaining four will serve as classrooms to house State's large student enrollment.

Mr. Stone revealed that, although preliminary work will begin immediately, it is not known when the barracks will be ready for use, as final plans have not yet been completed nor contracts awarded.

"We have plenty of problems," he concluded, "but hope to get the buildings up and in use as soon as possible."

### Social Season Kicks Off With Sigma Pi Dance

The soft lights and sweet music of the "Kick-off Dance" await loyal Staters coming back from cheering State's mighty gridgers at the game this afternoon. Goalposts draped in the red and white of Placer J. C. and the purple and gold of State will transform the Women's Gym into a veritable football field tonight.

Celebrating the college's first football game of the season, the dance, sponsored by Sigma Pi Sigma, men's service fraternity, starts at 8:30 p.m. The smooth rhythms of Walt Tollison's orchestra are being furnished for the enjoyment of the dancers.

With the influx of veterans and the new high in enrollment the "Kick-off Dance" will be one of the largest in State's history.

#### STIMULATES FRIENDLINESS

According to Sigma Pi Sigma President Emil Fanfelle, this dance will help stimulate the friendly atmosphere prevalent at State during the pre-war years when all the students knew one another.

Sport clothes should be worn, and Bib 'n' Tucker, campus fashion club, emphasizes that women should come in ordinary school clothes.

The dance committee includes: John Rocky, Phil Call, Jack Byrne, Emil Fanfelle, Jim Haran and Louis Vasquez. Mr. and Mrs. J. Kenny, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Farmer, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Boyle, Mr. Frank Fenton and Mr. G. De Ghetaldi are the faculty sponsors.

Stag or drag, tickets are 50c each with a student body card and 75c without.

### Hello Day Greets State

Reviving the spirit on the campus during the pre-war era when rallies and dances were the order of the day, State held its first post-war rally Thursday in the Women's gym, from 12 to 2. The purpose was to get old and new students acquainted and to stimulate a friendly spirit.

Students danced to the strains of Ed Doty's thirteen-piece swing band which provided music for the occasion. Those attending the rally wore colorful cards inscribed, "Hello, my name is..." Mixer dances, circles, and the like provided opportunities to meet new people.

Student Prexy Izzie Pivnick introduced Dick Boyle, football coach, who made a short talk outlining great plans for the team. He then presented the members of the grid squad. Pivnick then told students of his plans for future rallies, to be held on Thursday afternoons during the activities hour, to stimulate interest in football games, elections, and dances.

### Student Opinion Aroused By New Carticket Ruling

"Operation Pinch Penny," the fast maneuver of the Public Utilities Commission which outlawed the sale of street car tickets to students over 18 years of age, has met with considerable rebuke this week at S. F. State.

The Gator's student poll, together with a petition circulated by the student body vigorously disapproved of the Municipal Railway's resolution. Leading the protest is the Associated Veteran Students, who are cooperating with veterans' organizations at other nearby colleges in a formal protest to the Utilities Commission. Still another voice will be raised when the Free World club swings its petition into action throughout other schools and colleges in San Francisco.

#### AVC ACTS IN OPPOSITION

The question of "Operation Pinch Penny" will be brought to focus by the AVC (American Veterans' Committee), to which many student veterans belong. It remains for still more organizations to cope with the problem of dissuading the Municipal Railway from continuing with its present scheme. Exact figures on the results of the student poll along with further information can be found on page 2.

"The present hike in carfare drains six per cent of the single veteran's monthly income." This

### New Palm Proposed for Lake Merced Campus Site

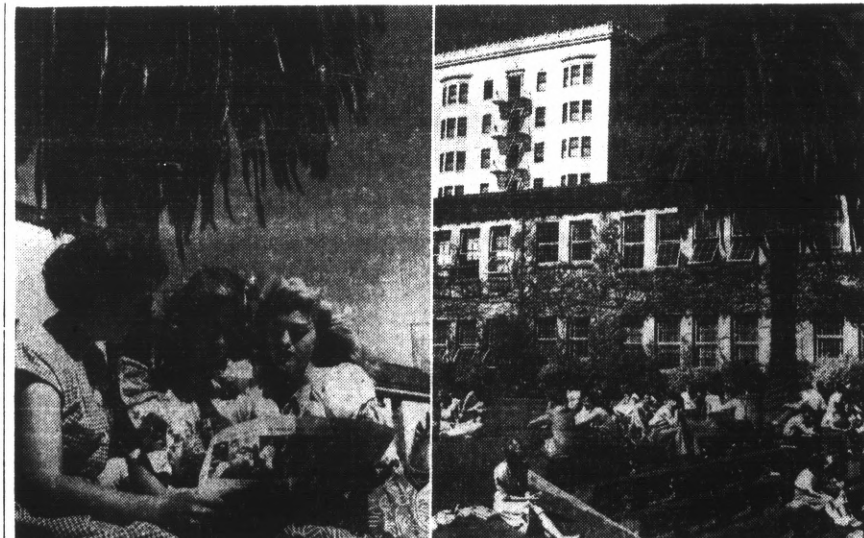
Ah, tradition! How much of the world has been bound by tradition? Ah, trees! Only God can make a tree. Combine them both and what do you have? State's "passion palm."

'Tis not a tall, stately redwood, nor a scented elegant pine. It isn't even a cypress which would afford some welcome shade. It's just a solitary, slim palm tree, whose genus is unknown to us laymen. The dear thing doesn't afford much shelter from the sweltering rays of the sun and it certainly wouldn't keep one dry in a rainstorm, but, as Thurman Munkraast says, "Ah loves it, naked as she be."

#### HAS AMOROUS INFLUENCE

The symbolic plant's sole claim to fame is its convenient concubeness to campus romance. On a clear and warm day many couples and not a few expectant singles may be seen basking in its scant shadow. Its "amorous influence" makes it no ordinary tree!

Truly, it is State's greatest unsung tradition. Would it not be fitting and appropriate, then, to begin the life of a new and far more magnificent State campus with the one link which would provide a "home, sweet home" feeling?



#### SHOULD BE PLANTED

The old palm which has given us so many pleasant hours may die with the rest of State's "immovable traditions," but a concerted effort should be made by every campus organization to retain its spirit in the form of a new palm to be planted ceremoniously on the new campus grounds.

#### FOSTERS MATRIMONY

This "light" of State's life, which has been a vital part of every Stater's heart, which has encouraged romance and fostered matrimony since time immemorial, is more a part of State than even its original cornerstone. State without its palm could be

likened to a cricket without its chirp, or a night without its moon.

From the practical standpoint, one couldn't have romantic couples sprawled out under the bare sun. It would be indecent! So, here's to passion, ever so free, Forever guarded by a silent tree. by I. T. and S. M.



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## Editorials

### Unfair Car-Ticket Regulations Add Insult to Poor Service

Very quietly last week the Municipal Railway released what it thought was just another routine announcement. Simply stated, the notice was to the effect that henceforth streetcar tickets would be sold only to those students who are eighteen years old and under.

This news, while not earth-shaking, nevertheless hit in an understandingly sore spot the thousands of veterans now attending local colleges. Student reaction at State was one of annoyance resulting in indignant denunciations of the Municipal Railway's thoughtless, money-making gesture at the expense of war veteran students.

### OVERHAUL NEEDED

No one who knows the situation questions that the city's transportation system is in sad need of an overhauling and that the only way this situation can be remedied is to have the citizens of San Francisco foot the bill. But the general understanding has been that the Municipal Railway would gain the needed revenues through increased streetcar fares and public bond issues. Logically, it should be satisfied until such future time that it can be shown more money is needed. Such a need has not yet been shown!

At the same time this streetcar ticket ban to all over eighteen years of age is, in reality, a "knife in the back" to the average college veteran, who even now has difficulty in making both ends meet in order to remain in school. No veteran attending college is allowed to make more than \$200 a month, including his subsistence, whether he be single or married, or whether he has one dependent or five.

When he has to pay the regular streetcar fare, a vet donates from three to five dollars a month of his limited funds to the city. When allowed the privilege of using a car ticket, he can quite conceivably get by with approximately \$1.50. In these days of sky-high living, even this small saving means a lot to the man who is ambitious enough to go to college in order to prove himself a better citizen in later life. But with this recent Municipal Railway edict . . . and it is strictly a mercenary one . . . the college veteran finds himself going even deeper into a financial hole.

### VET'S FINANCIAL STATUS LIMITED

Let's look at it in a sensible way. It matters little that his age is over eighteen—if the war hadn't interfered he would have had his schooling back of him by now. He is a veteran going to college under a very meager government subsistence and not many opportunities to make money enough to feed and house himself, much less to pay more for the privilege of riding back and forth to his school work. Sure, the Municipal Railway needs the money, and needs it badly. But the veteran simply can't afford to be the one who supplies that money!

If the Public Utilities Commission thinks it needs money so desperately that it must resort to ill-advised "grabs" from the already financially short college veteran, all the campus organizations at State (and every other local college as well) should join together in an appeal to the people of San Francisco to rescind this unfair and unwarranted edict that cuts so deeply into the veteran's meager funds.—A. B.

### Class Elections Return to Campus

For the first time in five years, class elections assume a degree of importance not reached since the pre-war era. Harkening back to those "good old days," one recalls the campus daubed in multi-colored posters blaring forth the candidacies of the various office seekers. Speeches were made in the classrooms, at rallies, in the co-op . . . and there was some private little electioneering around every corner.

Political parties . . . the "Vote-the-Straight-Ticket" kind and "I-don't-like-the-way-he-apple-polishes-the-professors" anti-propaganda were organized and thrown into the very middle of college life, perhaps interrupting the steady flow of knowledge from instructor to student, but nevertheless exciting and very much worth while. Downtown papers snapped up the results and published photos of winning candidates, especially if they were photogenic.

Class elections were big stuff!

This term the same excitement concerning elections of class officers prevails as of yore. Petitions are now being circulated and do not close until 4 p. m. next Wednesday, October 2. Between today and the middle of next week some of the heaviest and most exciting campaigning in State's history is expected. By election time, next Friday, October 4, the campus should be carpeted with campaign posters, post office box circulars . . . and on every available corner we expect to see soap-box orators giving rabid political speeches.

Veterans, Freshmen, Oldtimers! This is your chance to actually practice the phrase, "Democracy in Action!" More important, it is your big chance to assure your class good strong leadership as insurance for a successful year. It's your chance to put even more life into a stirring San Francisco State college!

And to each and every student aspiring for public office and the chance to serve California's fastest growing institution of learning, good luck to you . . . and may the best man—or woman—win!

—A. B.

## WORLD SITUATION LIKENED TO ALLEY FIGHT

By HARRY KARPILOW

Amidst the rubble of Stinky Alley, three small boys met and decided to play a game. The biggest was Michael Stovsky, Percy Alexander the smallest, and Jimmy Jones was somewhere in between.

They decided to play cops and robbers, and then came the question as to who should be the cop and who should be the robbers.

They all wanted to be the cop. "I'm going to be the cop," said Mike, "because I'm bigger than either of you."

PERCY USES BRAINS  
Percy was the smallest, but he was also the smartest. He realized that he couldn't argue against big Mike so he said, "I think Jimmy should be the cop." Jimmy didn't want to have an argument with Mike about who was to be the cop. Under the verbal shoving of Percy, however, he began to believe that he should be. Besides, Mike surely wouldn't argue against the two of them.

SPITEFUL ANGER  
Mike got angry. It wasn't so much the idea of being the cop, it was the idea of Percy and Jimmy gangbanging together against him.

Percy got angry. Being the smallest he knew he couldn't be the cop, and yet he didn't want Mike to win the coveted role.

Jimmy got angry because Percy was hiding behind him and urging him on, and it wouldn't be right for Jimmy to back down.

They argued back and forth. They screamed and cursed each other, and finally they came to blows. All three were hurt.

Three representatives of three great countries met to discuss a world peace. Two were powerful, large countries. The other was a smaller country whose power and size was disintegrating. One of the large countries had what was called a radical government. The other large country and the smaller country had somewhat similar reactionary governments.

SIMILAR SITUATION  
Now it so happened that the smaller government was fearful of the larger radical government because the more power the large government gained, the less

## Stater Meets, Interviews Donald O'Connor for Gator

By FLORINE SIEGEL

So you want to be a comedian. Oh, you'd rather be the Boyer type? No, being a crooner is right up your alley. The cream of the crop was on hand Wednesday, September 18, at the Fox theater to show you that the competition is pretty strong. Among the many personalities donating their services to the Firemen's benefit was the one and only Donald O'Connor.

EARLY STAGE START  
Born in Chicago, Illinois, in August, 1925—the masculine sex re-

veals such info quite readily—Donald was raised on the stage. His parents, both vaudevillians, were continuously traveling and managed to teach their blossoming young son the "ropes" well enough so that he was able to make his first stage appearance at the age of thirteen months.

When two years old, Donald, tired of wandering, dropped anchor in Hollywood, but it wasn't until 1935 that he made his first picture, "Sing You Sinners," starring Bing Crosby and Fred MacMurray.

"To date," Donnie continued, "The Merry Monahans" was my favorite role and Charlie Ruggles was the man I enjoyed working with the most."

### RECALLS SAN FRANCISCO

While reminiscing of old times in San Francisco, Don recalled the time when he was nine years old and not allowed to cross the streets alone. His true love—at the time—was Judy Garland, then appearing here. He, defying all of his mother's orders, crossed many of those forbidden streets to see Miss Garland and brought her back with him only to have his face slapped by his mother.

"I felt just like two cents," he confessed, as he received a questioning look from his charming wife, Gwen, who accompanied him on his trip to San Francisco.

Speaking of pet peeves, Don stated his as being California drivers, and as for music he'll take popular.

### PROUD PAPA

The tall thin gent with the still proud and beaming face when the conversation turns to his five week old, red headed daughter, Donna, jokingly disclosed, "I am now with the Universal International Studio and my forthcoming picture will be a variety of them, probably 'Kathleen' or 'Bloomer Girl.'"

## LEGION POLICY DISTURBS VET

By Marne Camp

I have joined no regular veterans' organization as yet. But I am certain of one I will not join. Not long ago I was sitting in the lobby of my hotel when a tall grey-haired man with a jeweled American Legion button came to the manager's desk and said:

"I'm from the American Legion convention headquarters. As you know, the national convention will be here September 29, and we think that you might like to display some Legion sign showing co-operation with the Legion. Some businesses are spending up to \$50,000."

### No Business Advantage

"Well," the manager replied, "I would get no business, as all my rooms are occupied with permanent residents."

"Oh, that's all right," the Legionnaire continued in a high-pressure manner, "you can just show your good will. Now here's a banner you could put on your marquee."

He unfolded a medium-sized banner fancily inscribed with the Legion insignia.

"Now we'll put this up, service it, and take it down all for \$31.50. It will make a good-looking marquee."

The manager, who is getting 1939 prices for his rooms and is paying a few hundred dollars more rent a month, couldn't see it and said:

"No, I don't think so."

The trouble was that the manager spoke with a French accent. Loses Temper

The Legionnaire exploded, "Oh, you don't want it. You're not going to put anything up? You wouldn't even put up the Ameri-



DR. JOHN H. CORNEHLISON, recently discharged from the Navy, has joined the faculty as our new Dean of Men.

power the smaller government retained.

As mentioned before, the three governmental agents gathered to discuss the peace that all the people wanted; however, before long the two delegates of the reactionary governments teamed together against the representative of the radical government. They all talked of peace, but it soon became apparent that each representative was more interested in proving that his country was stronger and more powerful than those of the others than in laying the foundations for an everlasting peace. The argument waxed stronger and stronger, and soon sly statements became open insults.

## IRV THOMAS

## THOMAS NEEDS CONDITIONING

Summer vacation was no picnic for me!! I was hard at work all three months ironing out the details and technicalities of my latest—and greatest—idea. And I don't mind saying it's an idea which will revolutionize the entire theater industry!

Ever since Alexander G. Bell slipped through his first doodle pad and discovered the principle of motion pictures, people have made seeds of money adding their two cents worth to the original idea. And then more people have made more seeds by "conditioning" each two cents worth.

### NOISE CONDITIONING

The first fortune was made when someone showed the movie boys how they could make noises with their pictures. Then Disney came along and topped that by giving them noise-conditioning—"Fantasound." A second million was made when one scorchingly hot Southern California day inspired the first open air theater, and then another erstwhile genius, prompted by San Francisco's more "flexible" weather, came out with air-conditioning. Even the man who first nailed a back to an orange-box was outdone when the Downtown Theater conditioned the seating situation by installing rocking chairs.

It's just been one after the other. However, I intend to top them all! I am going to construct the world's first condition-conditioned theater—a theater which conveys to the audience the atmosphere of the picture on the screen. In my movie-house, for the first time, you'll be able to experience the actual conditions under which the picture takes place. You'll savor at a showing of "Green Hell," and you'll freeze in the atmosphere of "Iceberg." Not only that, but you'll cling to your seat through a realistic presentation of "Gone With the Wind" and be drenched through two hours of "The Rains Came." You may go home sneezing, but satisfied that you got your money's worth.

## COMPLETE LUNCH

soup or green salad  
entree  
dessert of the day  
choice of drink

55¢

Entree Plate . . . only 35¢

ASSOCIATED STUDENT CAFETERIA

## THE GATER POLL

Ninety-eight per cent of the students polled by last week's Gator Poll are definitely affected by the new Municipal Railway ruling and are in favor of students over 18 being allowed to ride at school rates. Another feature of the poll showed that 25 per cent of the students ride more than twice a day in connection with school work. This is probably a result of students having to attend classes off campus, such as swimming, practice teaching, etc.

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION IS "DO YOU THINK THE PRESENT AMERICAN FOREIGN POLICY IS SUFFICIENTLY SATISFACTORY TO INSURE LASTING WORLD PEACE?"

IF NOT, "DO YOU THINK THE UNITED STATES SHOULD SUBSTITUTE A STRONGER OR MORE LENIENT POLICY IN REGARD TO CERTAIN OTHER NATIONS?" INDICATE THE POLICY AND NATION YOU THINK WOULD MOST AFFECT THE AIM FOR WORLD PEACE.

If you are not interviewed by one of the Gator pollsters put your answers in a box near the co-op provided for that purpose.

## BLUM'S BULL SESSION NAMES IN THE NEWS

After spending the better part of a week getting adjusted to the ratio of men to women on ye old campus, we decided to recover sufficiently to take a quick look at all the news behind the noise. So let's go . . .



BLUMMING AROUND STATE.  
Everyone seemed to be hopping aboard the Marriage-Go-Round during the lately lamented summer months. Little Phyllis Andri middle-aged it with popular Louie Vasquez, while basketball Ed Dunn quietly tied up with Barbara Woodridge. Also duetting were Doris Hoffman with Jack Kalic, and Shirley Greenberg with Marty Avner. State's "Pepodent Boy," Dick Maclure, brought back from the East the former June Maughm, now Mrs. Mac. Photographer Bill Rapp took not only snapshots this summer but also took unto himself a wife. No negative personality here!

Oh, but they didn't all get married, fellows. No, sir, the rest of the Gator damsels became merely engaged. Take, for instance, original 13's prey Jean Smith, who'll wed basketball ace Don Ellis early next month. Then there's some more from this love-sick gang who are altar-bound, including Bobbie Bagot and her bosom buddy, Babe Vering, who became engaged to "the man with the pipe," Walt Lord, Alpha Omega President, Peggy O'Haire, recovered from the rigors of running flag!" and he dashed out.

The manager, it so happens, served in the French army in the last war and in the American army in this war.

That action alone, typical as it might be, however, did not decide me against the Legion. I am familiar with the pre-war isolationist, labor-baiting record of the American Legion. I am also familiar with the fact that, under the guise of Americanism, it caused certain approved textbooks to be banned, that it also niggled a schoolyard to become en-

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gaged to one of State's top athletes, Bob Polidori.

There's probably more, but the Marriage-Go-Round Broke Down (from the song of the same name).

### BUCHANAN BANTER

'Tis reported that the co-op has been taking in a daily "take" of well over \$400—twice that of even the best days last term. . . . Flo Quartararo, State's gift to the world of opera, now has a sister, Jerry, carrying on in the famous family name here at Buchanan Heights . . . and Ed Melendez really held a large Pan-American club audience in the palm of his hand Wednesday as he vividly described his tour of Mexico. No guitar necessary, thank you. . . . Humbert Smith, now proffing in French, was one of Stanford's greatest high jumpers a few years back . . . hit well over six feet consistently. . . .

Speaking of sports, Gatorville's contribution to the world of tennis probably far exceeds that of any college in the nation. There's Tom Brown, of course, counselor Hilda Brown's pride and joy, Tom, after amazing the nation with his tennis, is readying for even more laurels—overseas. Barbara Kruse gained nation-wide recognition this summer when she cornered the National Clay Courts crown. Joe Wolfson blasted virtually all local competition this summer and actually had a crack at the ex-champ, Frankie Parker. Ex-Stater, Hal Wagner, upon his return from the wars, began almost immediately sweeping aside all coast competition.

HAIGHT HIGHLIGHTS  
Two prominent newcomers to Gatorland are Beverly Holmes Santucci, former Poly Hi editor, and Jack Gardner, former yell leader at Washington a few years back—and on another page you'll read about Stu "The Bohemian" Mercereau's brain child of planting a new lone Palm Tree on the new campus with appropriate ceremonies. Sounds good, sounds good!—The Gater nearly missed the boat the first issue when the masculine members of the staff (me, too!) took too much time watching the coeds in their abbreviated swim suits pas sin review to the health exam. And that's the bare facts, help me.

Practice Line  
Spectators  
Hernandez, M. Grande, Canada at tackles, F. Arthur at g. and Willbach. Others also many changed for the season before the season began. Reports con. thers indicat. mation and N. bination, and demonstrate the rattle d. ball. Al Ke. highly touted in the game.

## "BIGOTS AND BOOK BURNING"

What's back of the "holy war" to "purify" our literature?

LECTURE BY

HUGH ROBERT ORR

Sunday, 4 p.m.

AT THE HUMANIST SOCIETY

Hotel Californian

Taylor and O'Farrell

## IF WORDS FAIL YOU

in any language

## TRY A DICTIONARY

They are invaluable writing aids and greatly facilitate your use of words.

You'll find them handy reference

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# TODAY: STATE vs. PLACER

## GATORS

### Many Vet Gridiron Men Return to State Football Battles

BY SI GREENBLATT

San Francisco State's "pigskin glamour boys" are planning to send Placer College back to the farm with a .000 "batting average." The two teams meet today on the new campus grounds at 3:30 p.m. with a fair-sized crowd expected to attend the opening game of the season.

#### Vet Gridders Return

Over a year ago most of the men on both teams were fighting in battles all over the world. Then they were all on the same side, the team that won the war. Today these athletes are taking advantage of what they won in struggle between nations... the right to fight battles on the athletic field... the right to fight a hard battle with the better team winning, and no hard feelings.

State college fields one of its potentially great teams this year, using the T formation for the first time. Like other American colleges it has stars who are experienced both in high school and service teams. However, competition promises to be the stiffest in many years.

#### Best Team Yet

Last year State college fielded a team for the first time in three years. Three games were played and two were lost with one being a 0-0 tie. This was not the fault of players or coaches—last year was a war year. This season it is expected to field one of the better teams of this area, but coaches and players realize that competition is to be keener than ever before encountered. That was the case with all college football teams after World War I, and it is expected to be even more true of the present season.

A practice game was played with Alameda Naval Air Station on Saturday morning, September 21, with State college emerging the losers. Coach Dick Boyle and his staff realize there is a long way to go to get the team in shape for the season ahead.

#### Practice Lineup Good

Spectators were impressed with Hernandez, Melendez at end, Del Grande, Canavan, Root, Burisone at tackles, Pivnick, Perry, MacArthur at guards, and Hanson and Willback in the backfield. Others also showed up well, but many changes are expected before the team goes far along in the season because of the competition for places this year.

Reports concerning Placer Panthers indicate they use a T formation and Notre Dame box combination, and can be expected to demonstrate some weird plays of the razzle dazzle school of football. Al Ketchum, end, comes highly touted as one of the best in the game this year.

### Sports Quiz By Whiz Kid

The Sports department of the "Gator" received the following questions this week and we are passing them on to the readers with our opinions thrown in:

(1) Why doesn't State have a band for the coming football season to play at the games?

Answer: It beats us. We heard a rumor to the effect that a fellow by the name of Ed Doty has "the word." How about a little action, Ed?

(2) How about State College entering a conference?

Answer: Sounds like a great idea! With the school growing by leaps and bounds and with our great coaching staff. Why not?

### Coach Dick Boyle Grid Mentor

Dick Boyle, known as "The Blue Ghost of Moraga" when an All-American quarterback at St. Mary's, is back at the reins of the Gator grid machine for the first time since 1941, after serving three years in the navy and attaining the rank of Lieutenant Commander.

"The Ghost" gained gridiron fame on the St. Mary's elevens of 1928-29-30. Many critics consider the Gael backfield of 1930, with Boyle at quarterback along with the great Ike Frankien and Angelo "The Dark Angel" Brovelli, the greatest ever to roam the gridiron at Moraga. In 1929 and 1930 Dick was named on numerous All-American teams.

#### Boyle Sparks West



DICK BOYLE Head Coach

Perhaps his greatest day came in the St. Mary's-Fordham game of 1930, when the Gaels won 20-12. His generalship and blocking paved the way for Brovelli to punch out three scores in the final period. His last collegiate appearance was in the East-West grid classic of 1930, when he sparked the West team to victory. He graduated from St. Mary's the following spring.

In 1938, following several years as athletic director of Orland High, the Blue Ghost came to State as a PE instructor, and was appointed head football coach the following year.

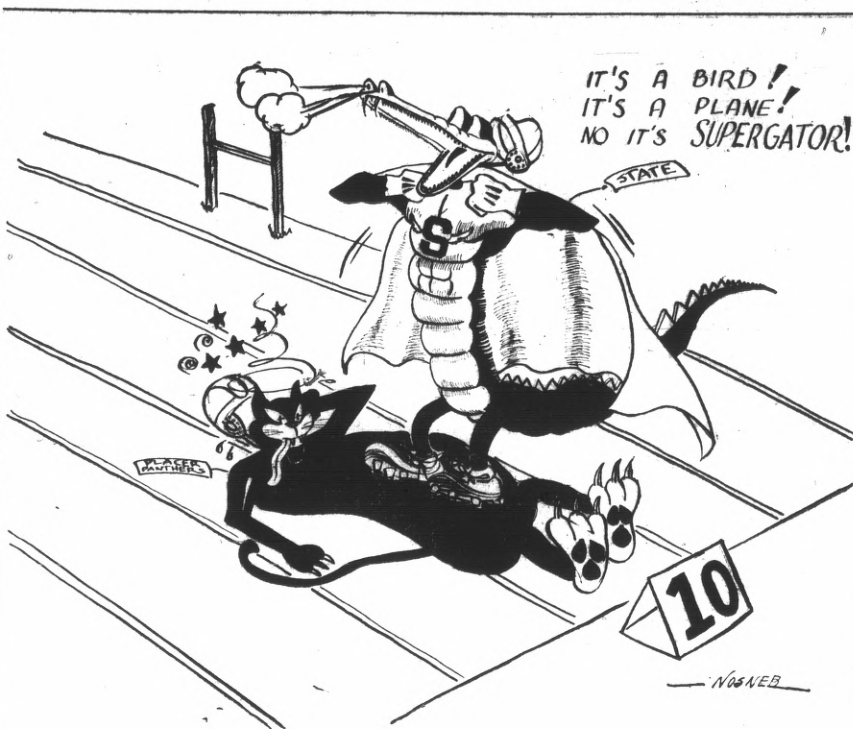
Came the Pearl Harbor attack, and Dick marched away to war early in 1942. His first assignment took him to Long Beach Naval Air Station, where he was in charge of a cadet regiment, and supervised physical training. He was transferred to Livermore, and it was here, in 1943, that he was promoted to Lt. Commander. September, 1944, saw him transferred to St. Mary's Pre-flight.

The last transfer was to Daytona Beach, Florida, where he was welfare officer, and recreation and physical education director.

#### Returns to Gatorville

Mr. Boyle, sans title and uniform, returned to Gatorville last November and took over as junior varsity basketball coach.

He is now looking forward to seeing his State elevens climb to greater heights than ever before.



### Is This Trip Necessary — Heck Yes!

Let's All Get Out To The Football Game Today!

How do you get there? That's a good question. If you walk... well, just forget it. BUT... If you have a dime or are fortunate enough to own an automobile, that's a different story!

#### STREETCAR

Grab a streetcar... M car, that is. M as in mother, or M as in M streetcar. Take your choice. The M car runs on Market street, through the Twin Peaks tunnel and right out to the new campus. Where do you get off? Just follow the crowd, you can't miss.

#### AUTOMOBILE

If you have "wheels," getting there is also a cinch. Hop in your '46 Cadillac, drive out Market street, over Twin Peaks and to Junipero Serra boulevard. Now, you're practically there! Turn left on Juniper Serra, drive for three-quarters of a mile and look to your right. What do you see? Nothing! Good, you're there. Look very closely and you will see some pre-fabricated buildings under construction. To the right of them is a natural bowl. That's the football field at the bottom. Easy? You know it!

### "Intramural to Start Soon"—de Ghetaldi

Tuesday, October 8, was announced as the opening date of the intramural football season by Guido de Ghetaldi, co-director of intramural activities. The games are to be played during the noon hour on the upper field and will be officiated by members of Phi Epsilon Mu.

#### DEADLINE OCTOBER 3

De Ghetaldi cautioned those desiring to enter the league to submit their names to the P. E. department on or before the Thursday, October 3, deadline.

All male students, with the exception of those who have earned their letter playing intercollegiate football, are eligible to enter. Players must play with their gym classes first, but if the class team is filled, may play for any recognized campus club or organization.

#### TOUCH TACKLE RULES

Games will be played according to usual touch tackle regulations, which specify eight players per team, and kick-off on the 20-yard line. All men of the offensive team with the exception of the center are eligible to receive a pass, and tackle shall be accomplished by touching the ball carrier with two hands simultaneously.

Scoring regulations provide for six points for a scoring pass and seven points for a scoring run, with a field goal worth the usual three points and conversions ruled out. All other rules are standard.

Protests must be lodged verbally at the time of the game and must be submitted in writing within 24 hours to the Director of Intramural Activities.

TODAY'S LINEUP		PLACER J. C.	
S. F. STATE	Pos.	Name	Pos.
Melendez	REL	Ketchum	REL
Root	RTL	Gihlarducci	RTL
Pivnick	RGL	Buckovich	RGL
Quartini	C	Festerson	C
Perry	LGR	Seawell	LGR
Canavan	LTR	Clark	LTR
Hernandez	LER	Pastaris	LER
Willback	Q	Piches	Q
Hanson	RHL	Ruth	RHL
Parrish	LHR	Apostolos	LHR
Comack	F	Scott	F

### W. A. A. NEWS

BY JANE WONG

#### OUTING ACTIVITY

Bicycle riding will be the first outing activity of the W. A. A. The date is set for Sunday, September 29, 1 p. m., and the place is at the end of the "N" car line at the beach.

The expedition starts from the beach and will go around Lake Merced, a preview of State's future campus. Appropriate clothes should be worn for the bike ride, and everyone should bring her own lunch.

Sign-up sheets are already posted in the Women's gym. All members are urged to come.

#### HOCKEY PRACTICE

Hockey practice started last Tuesday. All women students interested in playing are still welcome to participate in this activity.

The schedule for hockey practice has been set for Monday and Tuesday at noon for the advanced players and Thursday and Friday for the beginners.

All members of the W. A. A. are urged to attend the football game this afternoon to form a real co-ed cheering section. The team needs the women's support.

### Soccer Players Greet Coach Vets Return

Coach Jerry Kenney, assisted this year by Mannie Morena, State's former all-conference center, was greeted this season by a turnout of more than three dozen soccer players. San Francisco State College recently joined the reactivated California Soccer Conference, and this is the college team's first year in this competition.

Practice is being held each afternoon at the new campus. Included among the men out are many former members of State's soccer teams of the past. Standouts are Mel Johns '39, John Tashjian '40 and '41, John Fallon '42, Pete Dalton '44 and Al Vladimiroff, Ed Murray and Ken Shelley of the '43 team.

### Week-End Grid Scores Made By Sports Staff

(Grid) Irons in the Fire: Local football predictions, as guessed by the Gator sports staff of George Newell, Bill Kennerley and Si Greenblatt:

St. Mary's 21, Washington 7, although Newell looks for an upset by the Huskies. The Gaels have lots of good backs, but Weinmaster will score for the Huskies.

Wisconsin 27, California 13. Anything in the Big Ten is better than the Rusty Golden Bear, but Greenblatt has hopes for the Berkeley eleven.

Stanford 27, Idaho 6. The Vandals have their best team in history, but it's not strong enough to match the big wheels of the Pacific Coast Conference.

USF 20, Nevada 13. Both are "loaded" this year, and Nevada still has All-American Max Dodge, remembered by Staters for his pugilistic inclinations on the basketball court.

Fresno State 13, Santa Clara 13. The Broncos have the reputation, but look out for a surprise in a close. Kennerley predicts the Broncos to lose a stunning upset. (An ex-Gael would.)

S. F. State 16, Placer 7. Coach Boyle won't love us for this possible over-confidence, but Kaufman has probably picked more scores than "we could ever hope to."

## PANTHERS

### Strong Panther 11 Clashes With Purple & Golds Today; Gators Have Slight Edge

The Placer J. C. Panthers from the high Sierra country come to town today to play our Gators at the new campus field at 3:30 today.

These rugged mountain boys are led by 260 pounds of tackle by the name of Al Gihlarducci and he's ably supported

by a large, fast team. Coach Al Woodside uses the T formation and the single wing and stresses a fast, wide open style of play. His two fine quarterbacks, Tom Ostrom and "Cream 'n'" Piches, are deadly passers and they have an able receiver in Al Ketchum, a glue-fingered end.

#### Team Averages 190 Pounds

A team average of 190 pounds will face the Gators today. The majority of the team are army veterans and freshmen, but show real football experience in Al Gihlarducci and Tom Swisley. Gihlarducci played for the 8th Air Force during the war and Swisley, a halfback, played a lot of fine football on a championship team in Japan. His break-away speed was featured in the recently played Pacific Area Finals at Olympic Bowl in Tokyo.

Sight unseen the Placer team is the cream of the Junior College elevens in Northern California. Size predominates throughout the 40-man traveling team, as the 190 pound average indicates. Always noted for rough, aggressive football, the Panthers have been a headache to all bay area teams they have faced in the past.

Eliminating the kickoff to cut down on injuries, the first quarter started with Alameda in possession of the ball on their own 20-yard line. On the first play of the game, Arnold Scott, formerly of Georgia Pre-flight and



### Coast Football Starts Today

Football is in the air once more all over the nation. San Francisco State has its "coming out party" today at the new campus. Teams such as Santa Clara and Stanford that have been in the background during the war are competing again. Instead of the cry of a manpower shortage, there is a surplus of short talent. At State, a record turnout of 136 signed up. However, the coaches have their work cut out for them, sifting the stars and would-be stars down to a number that may be handled effectively. Fans can figure on a good season with plenty of competition, but more than any other year, a season of upsets.

A new ruling in football is in effect this year. This rule allows only 25 seconds in the huddle between plays instead of 35 seconds.

### Navy Shifts Attack

The Navy shifted its attack and attempted short side plays. These were stopped by the right side of the Gator line effectively. Scott then directed his power toward Len Canavan, State's defensive left tackle, who absorbed about as much punishment as a tackle can against Warner power plays over his position. Not sure of himself, at first, Canavan allowed sizeable gains. This lasted but a short time, however, as Canavan tightened and forced Alameda off tackle shots toward the center, where they were effectively handled by the Gator guards and line backers.

Defensively State didn't show any outstanding stars. Replacement depth appeared to be Coach Boyle's aim and he substituted frequently. Going into the Placer game today the starting assignments can be made by the flip of a coin.

#### Team Lacked Co-ordination

Offensively the team lacked co-ordination. This, of course, was due to continual substitutions. No four men worked in the backfield long enough to give this writer any idea of who the best men were. State gains of consequence during the contest came in spurts. Charlie Parrish, Al Sanderville and Joe Tossi got away for nice runs, but were unable to follow up their advantages.

The Gators have punch, break-away speed and fine backfield promise in a number of good men, but lack sharp blocking, protection for the passer and a smooth ball handling. This week's practice should have straightened this out. With de-

#### Blocking Picks Up

Blocking by the linemen on off tackle and inside reverses picked up during the game after a poor first quarter. Practice and scheduled competition will smooth this out.

Today the Gators play their first scheduled game. The team as a whole showed great spirit and fight against N. A. S. Alameda, a team that plays St. Mary's two weeks from today. They played aggressive football. They played the kind of football you like to watch. They have a good team and show real promise. Attendance and support can be the difference between a winner and a loser. Let's win! See you at 3:30.

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## New Faculty Additions Announced by President

With the announcement by Dr. J. Paul Leonard of the addition of seven new instructors, State's faculty is assuming proportions hitherto undreamed of, even in palmier days.

The Science Department gains Dr. Leonard C. Pockman, Physics instructor, whose Ph.D. was obtained at Stanford and whose teaching experience includes three years at Stanford, one year at Massachusetts Institute of Technology and two years at Cornell. He has just returned from the service.

Robert Y. Grant, music instructor, has been a member of the San Francisco and Indianapolis symphonies as a cellist as well as a member of the 287th ASP band.

### WHEELWRIGHT DIVIDES TIME

Dr. D. Sterling Wheelwright is probably one of the most notable of recent additions, according to Dr. Leonard. He will divide his time between Theory of Music Education and Humanities. His A.B. was gained at Northwestern, his Ph.D. at Maryland. He has just completed a tour of American colleges and universities in which he studied the work in humanities in all sections of the country. He has taught at Idaho and Stanford universities previously.

### MOREDOCK INSTRUCTS ED CLASSES

Harvey S. Moredock, fresh out of the Navy, and with a nearly completed Ph.D. at University of California, will instruct one class in Education 170.

Daniel Cecil Koblick will teach one class in Biological Science, while Nathan E. Hansen, ex-Student and graduate of the College of Physicians and Surgeons, will be a part-time Laboratory Instructor in chemistry. Jasper A. Perrino will also be added to the Chemistry Laboratory staff.

### EXTENSION COURSES GIVEN

Dr. Leonard also announced that extension courses will be given in Social Studies in Contra Costa County, Primary Education in Alameda County, and Visual Education in the City of Oakland.

### WEEKLY COMING EVENTS

September 30	IRC reception
September 30	Bowling
September 30	Golf
October 1	Folk Dancing
October 2	Swimming
October 3	Election Rally
October 4	Horseback riding
October 4	Elections
October 4	Vets' Dance

### Veterans to Sponsor "Stag, Drag" Dance

Associated Veteran Students social activities get under way Friday night, October 4, with a "stag and drag" dance in the Women's gym. This affair features a "ruptured duck" motif, and is to be the first official social function staged by the vets' organization.

AVS officials in charge of the dance are planning this event as an effective means of getting new vets together. In this way it is hoped to integrate more fully ex-service men on the campus with the rest of the student body.

A non-veteran hostess committee has been selected, consisting of Jackie DeShea, Pat Merrill, Vivian Allen, Pat Healy, Doris Thulin, Lila Rose, Betty Hickman, Beverlie Martin, Gloria Hoffman and Barbara McKee.

## Fashion Show, Hop Planned

Style conscious Gators are anticipating the combined fashion show and dance sponsored by Bib 'N' Tucker and Phi Epsilon Mu to be held in the gym, October 25, at 8 p.m.

State's fashion club and the men's honorary physical education fraternity have planned a big evening including the showing of appropriate campus clothes for both men and women, free refreshments, and a gala dance.

### FASHIONS PRESENTED

In keeping with the theme, "Night and Day," twelve coeds will model twenty-four changes of costumes, including nightwear, sport ensembles, date dresses, evening frocks and lounging clothes. All costumes will be supplied by Joseph Magnin, well-known San Francisco clothier. Models will include members of Bib 'N' Tucker.

Phi Epsilon Mu will be represented by members who will model correct campus wear for the male contingent of State. Clothes for men will be furnished by Roos Brothers. The construction of a runway for a show will be handled by the fraternity, which promises a spectacular surprise in the way of production. Music for both the show and the dance will be handled by an orchestra which has not yet been named.

## Co-eds Hopeful As Vets Return



Hubba, hubba, hubba, vets return! Reading from left to right, first row, sitting: John Tash, Neil Harriman, Louie Vasquez and Manny Moreno. Second row, standing: Ed Murray, Rip Russell, Bob Polidori, Jim Haran, Pete Perry, Tom Collingwood, Bogo Keller, 'Al' Al Valdimiroff, Izzie Pivnick, Jim Keating, and Aimee Fanfelle.

### Camp on Legion

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caused to be investigated and condemned school teachers who did not share the views of the Legion hierarchy. In California fruit centers, Legionnaires have broken up strikes where laborers were trying to get more than a dollar a day.

### Organization Faulty

"I imagine that the majority of Legion members are good, substantial American citizens. But they do not make the policy. It is shown in Marquis James' 'History of the American Legion' and William Gellermann's 'The American Legion as Educator' that the Legion has consistently been controlled from the top.

Nor would World War II veterans change that control. At recent state and national conventions the old Legion hierarchy has continually made resolutions, platforms and dictated elections from "smoke-filled back rooms." It is true that the Legion through its powerful lobby is responsible for raising our subsistence from \$50 to \$65, and has given the new veteran other benefits. But it is not responsible for the "G I Bill" and other principal measures for which it claims credit. Both Mr. and Mrs. Roosevelt advocated an educational program for veterans before the Legion hopped on the band wagon.

The Legion's delegates, 150,000 strong, are starting to converge on this city. You can expect the same thing—prearranged slates, noisy rowdiness consisting of episodes ordinarily expected of teenage boys.

### AVC Invites Praise

But something new has moved upon the horizon of this postwar "bright new world." The American Veterans' committee, an organization of World War II veterans, held a convention in Des Moines last summer which brought praise from every quarter except Pegler, Gerald L. K. Smith and a few of the alleged seditionists who call it a "Jewish communist" organization.

### Clean Policy

Maybe the Legion does have a powerful lobby and could get us a bonus, as it did before, but the AVC is not fighting for outright gifts. The AVC just wants to help lead the fight to give people a chance to live their lives in accordance with the four freedoms.

San Francisco member of the victorious American Wightman Cup team.

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## H. Smith, Former Stanford Track Star Joins Faculty

by BILL FLANAGAN

Humbert Smith, new instructor of French, has left his mark in the athletic world by winning a host of meets and championships in both America and Europe.

As a member of the varsity track team at Stanford, Mr. Smith won the Pacific Coast high jump championship both

### Housing Shortage Alleviated Soon

Veteran's housing facilities on the new campus will be available November 1 for 84 families, announced Dean Mary A. Ward this week.

Four-room apartments, furnished and unfurnished, consisting of two bedrooms, living room, dining room and kitchen combined, and bath, are open to any married veteran attending State. Applications may be secured in Dean Ward's office for the accommodations. To date only 65 applications have been filed.

### Listings Available

Dean Ward also reported that information regarding housing for both men and women students is being handled in her office. Lists approved by the college are available at all times.

### ARMY TRAVELS

Entering the army, he went to Africa as a sergeant in the signal corps in 1942. A year later in England, after not having done a pair of track shoes for two years, he won the Ninth T. A. C. meet and came within a hair's breadth of setting a new British Empire record. Mr. Smith went on to win the E. T. O. event in 1944.

But all of Mr. Smith's army career was not restricted to athletics. He participated in the North Coast of Brittany and Rhineland campaigns, and was with the Third Army when it drove through Luxembourg, Germany, and into Czechoslovakia. While in Brittany he worked with army intelligence and went on many daring patrols behind the enemy lines.

### SMITH MARRIES

After the war, Prof. Smith had enough points to discharge two men, but stayed on in France to marry a French girl whom he had met in Nantes. Mrs. Smith came to America to join her husband last April.

Mr. Smith and Runar Stone, State's one-man track team of 1936, have decided on organizing a faculty track team and plan on meeting the varsity team on the cinder track.

have any writing ability, turn in your play, story, essay, script or what-have-you (including short filler material) to the feature basket in the Gater office by November 1. Practical length limit is 1000 words."

### Inklings Needs More Material

"If those Inklings notices in your post box last week aroused your curiosity," quoth Editor Gene Benefiel recently, "they were the opening shots of a campaign to get writers and more writers for Inklings, State's literary magazine."

Outlining his plans for publishing two issues of Inklings this term, instead of the usual one, and reducing the cost back to the original ten cents per copy, Gene said that in spite of the poor showing of last term, he is confident that there is enough new writing talent around State this fall.

"So remember," are Gene's final words, "if you think you

## W.A.A. Rally Presents Review of Women's Sports

Featuring free cokes and lunches to all women present, a two-hour rally sponsored by the Women's Athletic Association was held in the Women's gym last week to present a review of women's sports to entering freshmen.

### PRESENT ENTERTAINMENT

Highlighting the event was the performance rendered by a modern dance troupe of four members from the San Francisco Dance League. A parade of the various sports was set off with a pantomime skit presented by the bowling group. Announcements by each of the sports managers were followed by a "fashion show" of sport clothes. Sports represented were hockey, dancing, volleyball, bowling, outdoor excursions, tennis, swimming,

folk dancing, horseback riding and golf.

### GIRLS FENCE

Two fencing matches, next on the program, presented Mary Falbo and Hazel Hill in a dual meet with Miss Hill winning 53. A second match placed Charlotte Plumb and Frances Galloway on opposite sides with Miss Galloway winning 50. Group folk dancing with audience participation concluded the program.

President of the W. A. A., Doris Hickenbottom, welcomed all newcomers to the college and asked for their participation in W. A. A. activities. Mrs. Florence Stephenson, club sponsor, asked for any constructive suggestions which might add to the activity program of the organization.

## Athletes Fence at Rally



Girls from the Women's Athletic Association presented a fencing exhibition at the Association's rally Thursday, September 19. The rally featured numerous sporting exhibitions as well as dance groups.

## State's Racketeer Relates Life Story

A royal delegation from King Gustav of Sweden requesting him to appear in an exhibition match ... telephone calls from London to San Francisco ... finalist in the Nationals at Forest Hills ... one of the many mementoes from his telegrams from the Davis Cup selection committee ... these are daily routine happenings in the life of former Stater Tom Brown Jr., "wonder boy" of the tennis world and second ranking player in the United States.

### HOME LIFE FLASHES

Mrs. Hilda Brown, State counselor, and son Tom in the front room of their San Francisco home at 615 Alvarado street ... Tom's war and tennis souvenirs

spread all over the floor ... three or four cloth patches of the famous "ruptured duck," the honorable discharge that took Tom 31 months to earn ... just one of the many mementoes from his experiences with the 20th Armored division, which toured France and Germany ... on the walls there are pictures taken while on various tennis tours ... one of them showing his famous serve ... trophies all over the place ... oldtimers remember he won his first tournament as a lad of 12 at Mission playground.

Tom credits his mother with his success, both as an "A" student and his tennis prowess ... she's been a counselor at State for ten years ... now teaching arithmetic and penmanship ... is held in high esteem by many students she has helped ... Mrs. Brown was one of the foremost second-class tennis players in S. F. in the late '20's.

Tom's trip abroad, which was made possible by James Moffett and Parry T. Jones, heads of the Northern and Southern California Tennis Associations, respectively, took him first to England, where he reached the semi-finals ... lost to Yvon Petra, who won the tourney ... reason he lost to Petra was that he lacked the greater effort for the third set after winning the first two ... then Petra got hot and it was all over ... doesn't feel bad ... knows he has won his share of close matches.

From Wimbledon Tom went to Paris, where in five sets he lost to Jaroslav Drobny, Czech Davis Cup star.

### SWEDISH MATCH

Tom also played in Vargburg, Sweden, before King Gustav, himself one of the world's famous tennis players. Novel feature of the match was the American and Swedish flags worn on the backs of the ball boys, who used miniature butterfly nets to scoop up the ball. After the match Tom had his picture taken with the king, as did Margaret Osborne,



Shown above is Tom Brown, second ranking player in United States, playing Jaroslav Drobny in the international tournament at Prague.